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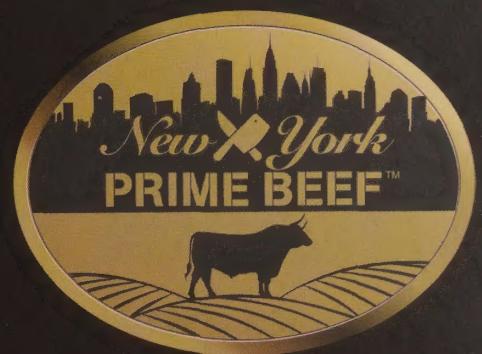
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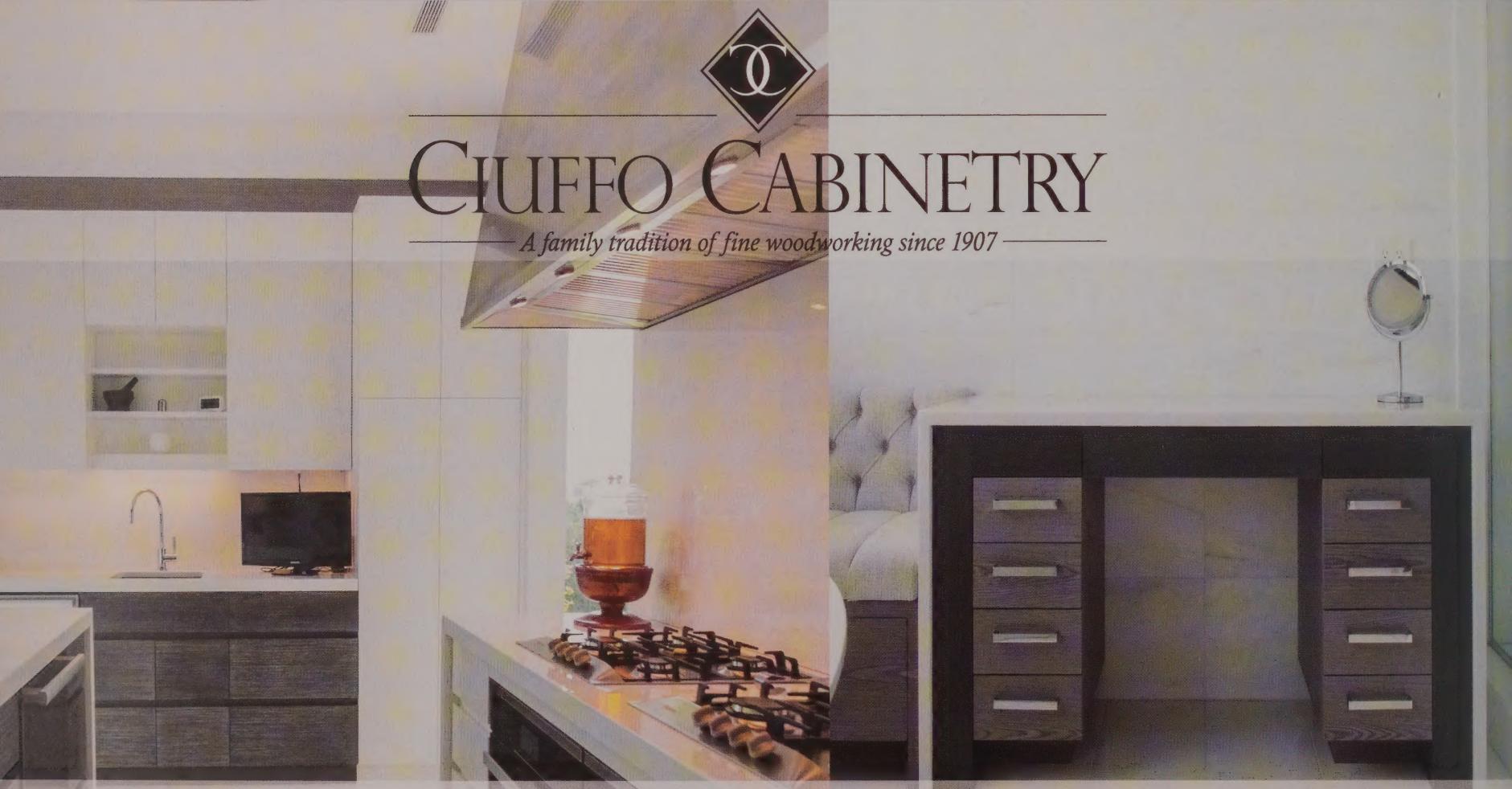
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**ART VILLAGE CLASSIC**  
Southampton | \$3,995,000 | Located in Southampton Art Village made famous by William Merritt Chase is this exquisite Arts & Crafts home built in 1911. Original details including soldier cross and herring bone floor patterns, rare chestnut. Web# H36512  
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**OASIS WITH POOL AND TENNIS**  
Water Mill | \$4,895,000  
Postmodern on 3.2 acres has 5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, eat-in kitchen, media/family room, pool, spa/hot tub and tennis with mature landscaping and trees on a quiet cul-de-sac street near the beaches. Web# H51790  
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**OPEN HOUSE SAT. 5/6 | 11AM-12:30PM**  
41 Crescent Street, Sag Harbor | \$4,995,000 | Now is the chance to buy the epitome of elegance on a west-viewing waterfront lot. 4-bedroom, 5-bath modern with a saline negative-edge pool and spa. Web# H54998 Raymond G. Lord III C: 646.856.2809



**BRAND NEW HOME**  
Montauk | \$5,995,000 | Amazing home completed in 2016. On 1.32 acres. 5 bedrooms, 6 baths. The heated saltwater pool is on the south side allowing you to relax at the pool and enjoy the ocean views. Web# H43439 Mary Lappin Marmorowski C: 631.433.4412



**OPEN HOUSE SAT. 5/6 & SUN. 5/7**  
12-1:30PM | 1802 Noyac Path, Sag Harbor | \$1,699,000 | Uniquely designed home on 7.2 pristine acres. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, open plan kitchen, breakfast area. Pool, waterfall. Web# H41412 Constance Porto C: 917.731.4317  
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**NEW TO MARKET**  
Southampton | \$2,100,000 | An adorable cottage on a .52-acre lot with 4 bedrooms, 4 baths and heated pool. Beautiful landscaping gives privacy to this well-located village property. Web# H44982 Maryanne Horwath O: 631.204.2720



**OPEN HOUSE SAT. 5/6 | 11AM-12:30PM**  
143 Old House Landing Road, East Hampton | \$2,295,000  
Gorgeous and brand new only 480 ft away from a bay beach sits this traditional with all the amenities you want. Web# H23419 Raymond G. Lord III C: 646.856.2809  
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12:30-2PM | 612 North Sea Mecox, Southampton | \$2,499,000  
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Elizabeth Capozzoli C: 516.382.4481



**NEW TO MARKET**  
East Hampton | \$2,500,000 | This 5-bedroom, 3-bath home outside EH Village is situated on an acre with a heated Gunite pool. This home includes a gourmet kitchen, dining area, and a living room with fireplace. Web# H13495 Melissa Pintauro C: 631.875.5094



**OPEN HOUSE SAT. 5/6**  
10AM-12PM | 3 Crows Nest Circle, Southampton | \$1,049,000  
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**THE HAMPTONS LIFESTYLE**  
Southampton | \$1,195,000 | On 2 sprawling acres in Shinnecock Hills, this split level Colonial boasts plenty of room for entertaining. Beautiful landscaping and pool. With bay beach just down the hill, and village shops. Web# H35535  
Todd Bourgard C: 631.875.9667



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11:30AM-1PM | 23 Lacebark Lane, East Quogue | \$1,275,000  
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**SUPERB SOUTHPHAMPTON HOME**  
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**CONTEMPORARY RANCH**  
East Hampton | \$595,000 | Open floor plan with a cathedral ceiling in the main living area. 2 bedrooms, 2.5 baths and a entertainment room. Wood-burning fireplace with a clever way to access firewood. Heated pool, screened-in patio. Web# H37296  
Linda Casinover C: 631.300.8027



**OPEN HOUSE SAT. 5/6 & SUN. 5/7**  
12-3PM | 476 Montauk Highway, Quogue | \$850,000 | Just shy of an acre with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, library/guest room, living room, dining room, gourmet kitchen with silestone counters, 2-car garage and full basement. Web# H16264  
Allen Piliero C: 631.335.1996



**OPEN HOUSE SUN. 5/7 | 12-3PM**  
253 Dune Road unit 59B  
Westhampton Beach | \$899,000  
Oceanfront condo with views of the ocean. Open floor plan with kitchen, living room, updated baths and deck. Amenities included are 2 heated pools. Web# H26909  
Jon Holderer C: 917.848.7624



**EASY LIVING MONTAUK**  
Montauk | \$899,000 | This 3-bedroom, 2.5-bath condo offers an open floor plan with a cathedral ceiling with skylights, eat-in kitchen and dining area. The large terrace offers a terrific view of Lake Montauk. Web# H25812  
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**OPEN HOUSE SUN. 5/7 | 11:30AM-1:30PM**  
1224 Head of the Pond Road, Water Mill | \$999,999  
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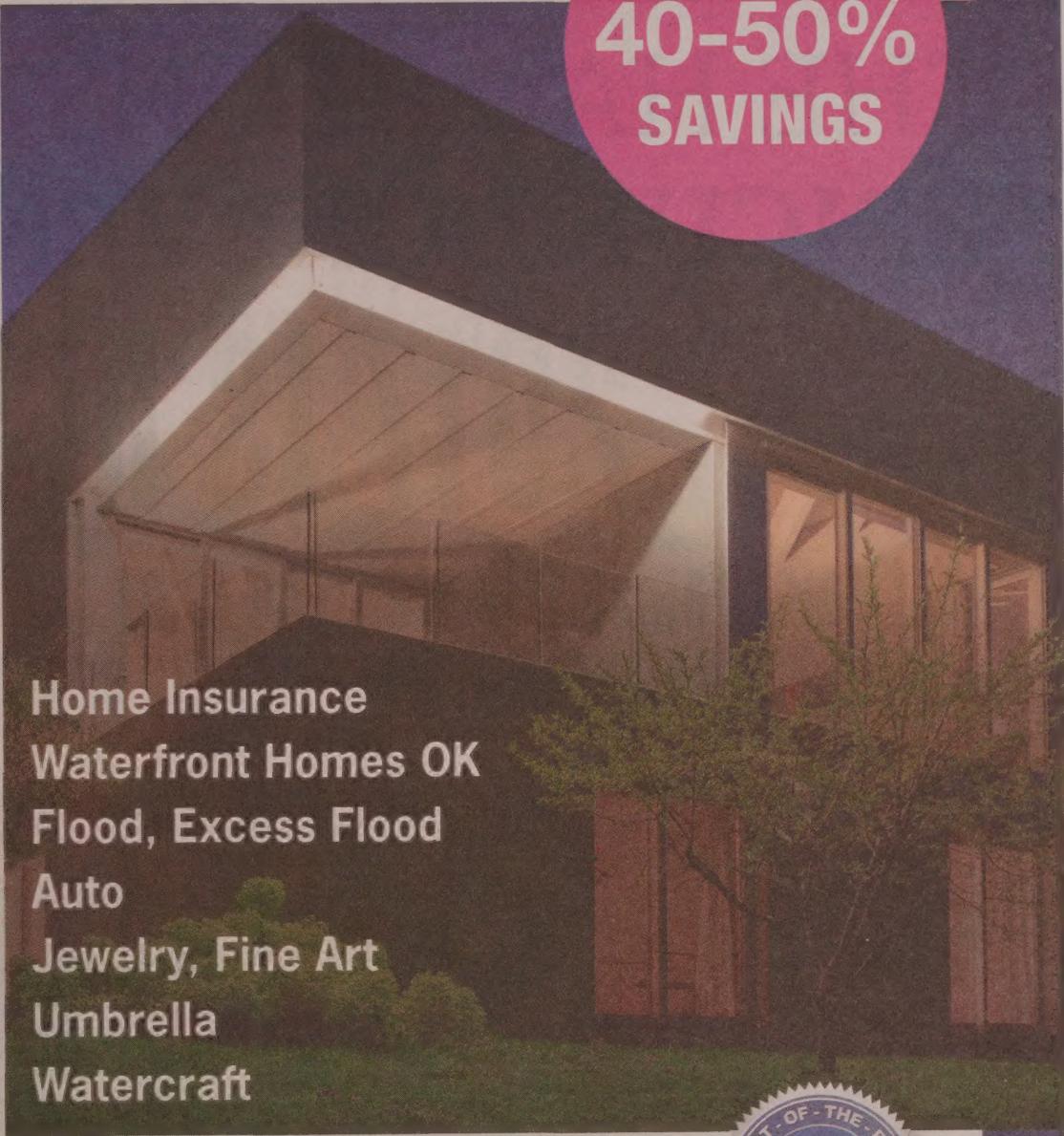
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# Memorial Day Weekend

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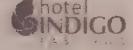
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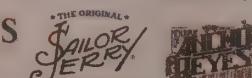
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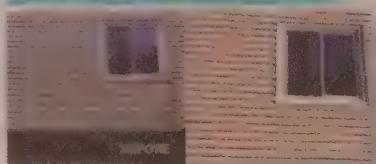
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Amagansett's **Sir Paul McCartney** will play his first Long Island show in 15 years this fall. Following performances at Manhattan's Madison Square Garden and Brooklyn's Barclays Center, the beloved Beatle will take his One on One tour to Nassau Coliseum on September 26. Tickets go on sale May 5.



Nearly a year after **Michael Strahan's** abrupt exit from *Live with Kelly & Michael*, a new permanent co-host has been named. **Ryan Seacrest** will be joining Hamptonite **Kelly Ripa** on the morning talk show, now called *Live with Kelly & Ryan*. "Are you nervous?" Ripa asked a mystery person as the show began on Monday morning. The show then opened with the new logo for *Live with Kelly & Ryan*. "You're engaged! You're having a baby! You're coming out of the closet!" Seacrest joked as he recalled reactions from his friends when he teased that he had exciting news that he couldn't share. Ripa and Seacrest, who are friends off-camera, look like they are going to be a great pair. Seacrest co-hosted five times in the past year, so he's no stranger to the show (or hosting a major live television program).



Sag Harbor supermodel **Christie Brinkley**, along with her children, **Alexa Ray Joel**, **Sailor Brinkley Cook** and **Jack Paris Cook**, are some of the prettiest people on the planet. So says *People* magazine, which will include the family in its annual World's Most Beautiful issue. Said Joel on Instagram, after the honor was announced, "If there's any constant worth cherishing in this crazy world, it's family. Thank you dearly for the honor of featuring us...hey, I'll take any excuse to be with my three guardian angels!"

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A Who's Who of the Hamptons real estate community gathered at the exclusive Sebonack Golf Club in Southampton on April 26 for the fourth annual Privet Hedge Awards Dinner. Toasts were raised and applause rose throughout the night for six honorees at the event hosted by Dan's Papers, Behind the Hedges and AVENUE. Read more about this fabulous night on page 69 and at [BehindtheHedges.com](http://BehindtheHedges.com). **Photographs by Barbara Lassen and Daniel Gonzalez**



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BY DAN RATTNER

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#### DOWN IN THE TUBE

Movie producer Harvey Weinstein was seen Wednesday getting off the Hamptons Subway at the Georgica stop with a 16 mm camera to film the platform there for a new documentary, he said. Gwyneth Paltrow, her blond hair shimmering in the breeze from an open subway window, was seen heading east toward Montauk from the Amagansett station on Thursday.

#### TOO OVER THE TOP

Commissioner Aspinall, trying to second guess President Trump, ordered white lines put down facing every platform's edge so that, for the six cars on every train, when they pulled up, the people from the six earth's habitable continents could all get in the subway car designated for them. Painted between the white lines were EUROPE, ASIA, AUSTRALIA, AFRICA, NORTH AMERICA and SOUTH AMERICA. The

following morning, after protests from the riders, the names were all scrubbed out, with the first five cars being for EVERYBODY and the sixth car being for TERRORISTS. "I wasn't going to bow to protesters, but then Trump called," the Commissioner said, "and he told me this was 'way over the top.' So I fixed it." Two armed marines sit in the last car on every subway train now, but so far, nobody has boarded the terrorist car. That's good.

#### DETOURS

During a routine inspection on Friday night, it was found that a two-foot-long piece of track was loose in the tunnel between Bridgehampton and Sagaponack and in need of being bolted down. We did not have that particular kind of bolt on hand, however, so we ordered new ones which should be here on Monday. Until then, that part of our system cannot be used, so riders heading eastbound from Bridgehampton on the B train should cross the platform and take the 7 train to Sag Harbor, then the J train to East Hampton, then the B train westbound from East Hampton to Wainscott, where special busses will take all riders down through Sagaponack to the Sagg

General Store where people can disembark to either walk or take taxis to their destinations. Those staying on will be taken across the Sagg Bridge and on to Bridgehampton to catch the B again from there heading west.

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#### BAD AIR

Those noticing the "bad air" in the subway cars on the stretch between Sag Harbor and Noyac should direct their lawsuits at Alvin Satterfield Phillips of 41 Noyac Drive who had covered up the subway exhaust grating on his lawn with plastic, informing us that his home is his castle and he can do that.

#### COMMISSIONER ASPINALL'S MESSAGE

Sorry about the white lines for the different continents. I wish Trump would make up his mind about what he wants to do.



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#### ERRATIC DRIVER IN CUSTODY

On Friday afternoon, the Hamptons Police were notified of an erratic driver operating a vehicle in Southampton Village. Police were able to locate the vehicle from the description they received. After following the driver in his vehicle for close to half an hour, a patrol officer pulled the driver over and placed him under arrest. "While the driver proved to be completely sober, we were able to document that he was doing all kinds of strange stuff behind the wheel," said Hamptons Police spokesman Larry Hirsch. "For example, as he approached intersections he would slow down—which is nothing unusual—but then

he would actually stop his vehicle. If there were other cars approaching the intersection from other directions, he would sometimes allow the other cars to proceed ahead of him." Hirsch went on to describe a peculiar phenomenon the man's vehicle exhibited while under observation. "On several occasions a strange flashing light would appear above one or the other side of the car's rear bumper—like something out of a sci-fi movie. At first we were mystified, but from careful study of the dashboard video retrieved from the patrol car, our investigators have noticed a pattern to these events. They always occurred right before instances of the driver changing his direction of travel. We're not sure whether the driver was purposely activating this flashing, but we feel strongly that it is a potentially dangerous distraction to other drivers, and our investigators would like to know how these flashing lights came to be installed over the vehicle's bumper." The police investigation is ongoing, and police are encouraging members of the public to share what information they can.

#### BUT IS IT ART?

Hamptons officials recently issued a warning to residents who have so-called "artist's studios" on their properties. According to law, these structures are permitted as long as they are not habitable spaces and as long as they are used for the production of art. Going forward, Hamptons Police are authorized to inspect these studios regularly in order to confirm that they aren't inhabited and that art is being produced in them. "And we're not talking finger painting, either," remarked Hamptons Police spokesman Larry Hirsch. "Our Art Inspection Unit is going to be looking very carefully at canvases and sculpture to determine the viability of the art being produced. If we decide what we're seeing doesn't qualify as art, there's a problem." When challenged on his department's ability to make such determinations, Hirsch was dismissive. "Look, if your stuff's kitschy or derivative, it will be reflected in our report. If you can't do better, you might want to look into becoming an accountant. Okay?"

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# The Long Tow

*When the Napeague Coast Guard Station Headed Out to Sea*

BY DAN RATTINER

My father took to Montauk like a duck to water when we moved there in 1956. As the pharmacist, he was a respected member of the community. At times, it meant getting up in the middle of the night to fill a prescription. He did that, and he never let anybody down. He joined the fire department. I still have his red firemen's hat hanging on the bedroom wall at my home. Every time I look at it, I can see him out there in the middle of the street, wearing it, directing traffic around the fire, wherever it might be, as the younger men in the department, with all their fire equipment, put the fire out. Dad also bought a small fishing boat, a 29-foot affair with an inboard engine and a little cabin and a wheelhouse. He kept it in Montauk Harbor and loved to go fishing in it for blues out at the Point under the lighthouse. He found time to do that with some friends about once a week.

He and I, and maybe three of his fishing buddies, would walk out the dock to the Montauk Marine Basin, where we'd say hello to Carl Darenberg Jr., a man covered with engine grease who owned the place. Then we'd get on the boat and go out. I did this with him maybe twice. The first time, when I got seasick, I was told it was pretty rough out there. The second time I got seasick there were no excuses. It was

calm as glass. I went below and lay on one of the bunks, groaning softly until we got back. Going out in fishing boats was not for me.

What a fate, I thought, as I was assisted up the dock to the car. Here I am, the newspaperman in a fishing village and I can't go out in a boat.

Carl Darenberg Jr. ran the marina with his family, which consisted of his wife and two kids and two black labs. Out in front of the marina, he had a 20-foot steel crane for hauling boats and a heavy-duty fish scale. If you caught an 800-pound swordfish or shark, he could haul it up with the scale winch, weigh it and take pictures of it. He had a general store and a garage on the property into which you could haul ships in order to rebuild engines and repair hulls.

I went to see Carl Darenberg in the springtime, as I did every other merchant in town in those years. He would listen patiently as I told him my plans for the newspaper that summer and what the different sized ads cost. Sometimes, as I told him about it, I was surprised that he didn't seem to acknowledge my enthusiasm in any way. Others did when I talked about the virtues of the paper. But soon I came to see this was just him. He had been in the Navy in the war, and, like many others who had been in combat during that awful conflict, he had a military bearing and a reserved (Continued on next page)



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and quiet way about him. As I spoke, he would indeed give me his full attention. And when I was done, he would be clear with his reply. He would be in. Or not. There was no waffling, no come back tomorrow. If he was in, he'd tell me what size ad he wanted and for how long. And then he'd thank me for my time.

Around midnight at the beginning of the summer of 1963, fire broke out down at the docks. The siren woke me. I padded to a bedroom window, and I could see flames flickering down there. Then I heard my dad banging around in the dark hallway, on the stairs, out the front door and to the car. He drove off. I went back to sleep.

In the morning, I learned that the general store and repair bay at the Montauk Marine Basin had burned to the ground. I went down there and took pictures. I interviewed the fire police, who were still there in the smoldering ruins, and the chief told me that the fire was suspicious.

"We think there might have been somebody who had a grudge against the Darenbergs," he said. I stayed out of it.

No one ever did find out who set fire to the Marine Basin, but the Darenbergs carried on. The renters already had their boats in the slips when the fire happened, and none of the boats were damaged. Certainly there were other places along the docks where people could get supplies. After a few days, I went down to see



Coasting to a new home

permits. And they would work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and get the job done in 30 days so the Darenbergs could be open by May, as scheduled, in time for the summer season.

I still recall going down to the Marine Basin that spring after the work was done. I walked creepily around the general store and the repair garage, looking carefully at them. They looked fine. Although, to tell you the truth, I thought some of the finishing work was a bit sloppy. And at least two of the windows had been put in crooked.

Inside, after noticing Carl was not at the counter, I asked where he might be and was told he was up in his office.

I went to the narrow stairs at the back of the store and up to the second floor to see him. He was at his desk.

"How are you doing?" I asked.

"We're okay."

I noticed behind him, there was a framed photo that I had not seen before. It appeared to be a house on a barge. In fact, now that I looked at it more closely, I could see it was the Montauk Coast Guard Station on a barge, being pulled through the water. A young man was on the barge but I couldn't make out who it was.

"That was me," Carl said, noticing I was looking at it.

"I hadn't seen that before," I said.

"Well, I brought it here from home. We had other pictures here. The (Continued on page 32)





# That Overpass

## Kamikazee Truckers Force the RR to Raise the Trestle 4 Feet

BY DAN RATTINER

*News Item: State to raise railroad overpass in East Hampton four feet.*

If there were ever an example of how public protests can make a difference, consider what has happened at the railroad overpass on North Main Street in East Hampton.

Five years ago, this village decided it had seen enough drivers of tall trucks failing to negotiate their vehicles successfully under the overpass. No one would be injured, but crashes happened about five times a year. Sometimes the trucks would wedge halfway through. Sometimes the trucks would hit the side of the overpass. In either case, it would be a mess.

This would happen in spite of the big yellow sign that read 10'-0" LOW CLEARANCE BRIDGE AHEAD on the side of the overpass. The village kept a stockroom full of these signs to keep ahead of the game.

To stop this, the village decided to take extreme measures. Three enormous yellow street signs reading 10'-0" LOW CLEARANCE BRIDGE AHEAD were soon planted along North Main Street where the truckers approach the overpass. One was 100 feet from the overpass. The next was 50 feet from it and the third was just 20 feet from it. Unfortunately, this part of North Main Street runs alongside the easterly side of the grassy lawn upon which sits the beautiful historic 1806 windmill, "Hook Mill." The forest of signs almost completely blocked the

splendid view of the windmill.

Residents objected to this horrible blocking of the mill. The village said they were needed to stop people smashing into the overpass.

For the next four years, the number of trucks crashing into the overpass reduced from five a year to, on average, four. The signs brought only a slight improvement, the protesters noted. East Hampton has been called the most beautiful village in America. Surely the village would lose that designation if those enormous signs remained up.

Protests continued, but the village would not be moved. And so, last November, a small group of activists decided it was time to take action. Meeting secretly at the Veterans of Foreign Wars building nearby, they created a group called "Overpass Bashers." The word went out to trucking companies in the area, particularly to those committed to the beautification of North Main Street. "Overpass Bashers" was looking for drivers who would deliberately crash tall trucks into the side of the overpass. The goal would be to increase the number of crashes and convince the village fathers that these signs were not only a complete failure, but were actually a distraction causing more and more crashes. Remove the signs!

The owners of nearby trucking companies answered the call. Each of them had an old tall truck or two in the yard they could spare. Beginning in January, selected drivers, calling themselves "Kamikazes," began deliberately

smashing their trucks into the side of the overpass once a month. At this rate, there would be a dozen "Overpass Bashers" accidents over the course of 2017. If that wouldn't persuade the village to give up the ghost on the signs, nothing would.

During the first three months of this year, officials were clearing out one truck wreckage on North Main Street just in time for the next. It made no sense. The signs were there. How could these truckers keep failing to see them? By April 17, just four months into this effort, the sixth crash of the year took place—four by the Kamikazes and two by others. The two others had been a garbage truck and a box truck. The effort was heading, if this continued, to 18 crashes in 2017.

And so, the village caved. This past Monday, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority announced it will spend almost \$20 million to raise the overpass from 10 feet to 14 feet so even the tallest truck can proceed under it. When the project is completed—it is expected to take a year and a half—the big yellow signs will come down, once again revealing the breathtaking beauty of Hook Mill. The project will also include raising the nearby Accabonac overpass from 10 and-a-half feet to 14 feet.

Jubilation in the Veterans of Foreign Wars building overtook the membership of the "Overpass Bashers" as that organization voted itself out of business, its work done.

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battleship I was on. But now they're gone. Well, I thought I'd bring a few new ones from home."

"What are you doing with that Coast Guard Station?"

I motioned to the Coast Guard Station itself. It was right out the window, across the Harbor, on its own little island at the end of Montauk Harbor—a three-story, white-shingled building overseeing everything.

"I'd come home from the war. Didn't know what I wanted to do with myself. And then somebody told me the Coast Guard was looking to move the old Napeague Station out to Montauk."

"I never knew there had been a Coast Guard station in Napeague," I said.

"It was right on the ocean, about 10 miles

from here. They had a plan, I think, it was from Kennelly, the house mover, to just tow it out across the dunes to the highway and then down the 10 miles into town and out to the fishing village. They had a price. Seemed like a lot to me. And then I thought, I could do this better and faster and a whole lot cheaper another way. So I gave them my price."

"You towed it through Gardiner's Bay."

"It just seemed like such an easy thing to do. All you'd have to do is tow it a few hundred yards through the dunes, across the highway and the railroad tracks and you'd be right on the beach at Napeague Harbor. It's perfectly calm there. My dad had a fishing boat—he was running this marina then—and he said he would lend it to me. We'd build a platform at

the beach, slide the house onto it, and then tow it out into the harbor and into the bay, then along the shore to the jetties and the entrance to Montauk Harbor. The other way of bringing it to Montauk, with the problems in the center of town, the turn onto Flamingo Road, then the turn down Westlake to the causeway, then still another turn out onto Star Island—that would take days. We could do this in hours."

"Seems like it ought to have worked."

"Well, I never had done anything like this before. But I figured, what could I lose? I applied. I won the bid. And so we towed it across the dunes and onto the platform. And the only problem we really encountered was out in the bay. And it was really scary."

I couldn't imagine Darenburg scared of anything. "Why?" I asked.

"Myself and my mate were on my dad's boat, and we had the house about a hundred yards behind us at the end of a heavy rope, and we were moving right along, and then the wind came up."

"Oh?"

"And then the rope went slack. The Coast Guard station, pushed by the wind, was gaining on us. We'd been doing about five knots. No sense doing this anything but careful. But now we accelerated to seven knots to make the rope taught again. But it didn't work. We went up to 8, then 9, and at 12 knots we got the rope taut again."

"So now the engine was pulling pretty hard and it had started smoking a bit, but just as we were within sight of the jetties at the harbor entrance, the wind picked up even more and once again the house started gaining on us again. Fourteen knots was all we had. We were at full speed. The house was now just 50 feet behind us and gaining rapidly, and there was no way we could make the turn into the jetties with this house."

"I can see where that could scare the hell out of you," I said.

"The Coast Guard station was going to go right out to sea. It was going to be a disaster. And there would be nothing we could do about it. It would even be pulling us with it, unless I cut the rope."

But then, as the house pulled up even with us, I got this idea. I told the mate to take the wheel and just keep her steady and I was going to take a big chance so pull up close because I was going to jump across. And I did.

"I ran inside the house and quick as I could, opened up all the windows on the ground floor, then ran upstairs and opened the windows on the second floor and then ran upstairs to the low bunkhouse attic and opened the dormer windows up there. I could feel the breeze. The wind was blowing through. And then I felt a jolt as the rope went taut. I looked out. Ahead of me was the boat, turning into the harbor with the mate jumping up and down whooping and hollering. And the house was following him in. So that's how we came in through the jetties, with him on the boat and me at the house. And we made it."

"That is a GREAT story," I told him.

Darenburg smiled. I had never, ever seen him smile before.

"I think about all this every time I see this picture," he said. He paused. "And I'll take the same ad I had last year."



# Eavesdropping

*About the Colonoscopy that Went Wrong & Suing the Doctor*

BY DAN RATTINER

The easiest way for me to visit my son in Hanover, New Hampshire is to take the Jitney to New York, then fly for an hour from Westchester to the airport 10 miles from Hanover. The Jitney is quiet—like a library—and I work on the way to the city. I also usually work on the 10-seat Mercedes limousine the airline provides for the one-hour ride up to Westchester. That's quiet, too.

This last time I took the limo, it was just me and the driver. I sat in the passenger's seat next to him and we chatted all the way up. He was also the driver of the limo on the way back down, but this time all 10 seats were taken. Again, I sat in the front.

Directly behind me, a man was on the phone talking so loud that everybody in the limo could hear everything he said.

"Well, maybe we should buy another car or two. I'm in the limousine now. And it's packed. Look into it. We'll see. You know I'm in every Tuesday and Thursday. So I'll see you then and I'll let you know what to do."

I initially intended to turn around, look at this man and ask him not to talk so loud, but from the way he was talking I thought he might be the owner of the limo company. Maybe I shouldn't do that. Maybe he'd kick me off the limo.

"Yeah, my dad's fine," he continued. "Thanks for asking. Let me tell you, this doctor who took care of him is gonna lose his license. Yeah."

At this point, all conversation in the rest of the bus, quiet as it was, stopped. They'd listen.

"You know my mom and dad are getting on, so I think they should have check-ups. So we go to this doctor and he says he wants both of them to have blood work and a colonoscopy. Mom was fine. Dad was a problem. You know they scrape around up there when they do the colonoscopy? This damn doc did it himself."

We're coming down the Saw Mill River Parkway, entering Yonkers.

"And he botched it. After it's over, my dad is bleeding everywhere. He goes to the john in the hospital and just buckets of blood come out. They hook him up to an IV. They give him three pints of blood. They put him in the ICU. We can't even visit him. We go see the doc. He says, 'Why didn't you tell me he is on blood thinners?' He's telling me this. I can't believe it. 'Don't you read your own medical reports?' I ask him. 'You go in and do this without reading the results of your own medical reports?' What day is it, Thursday? He's been in the hospital since Monday."

A woman from the back of the bus suddenly speaks. Many who take this flight are Dartmouth parents.

"I think I can speak for the rest of us," she says.

"Hear, hear," another person back there says.

"Nobody on this bus wants to hear you talk about your father's medical problems. You have to shut up. Stop it."

"Oh," the man says. "I'm sorry..."

"And you are violating the HIPAA laws. You can't talk like this. We could have you arrested for talking like this."

"The HIPAA laws? There's no HIPAA laws about this. Who the hell do you think you are?" the man replies. "I'll talk any way I want anytime I want about my mother and father."

The driver speaks up. "My mother was on the committee that created the HIPAA laws," he says. "The man's right."

"You should apologize to me for that," the man says. "Arrested? Apologize."

"I'm sorry," the woman says. Her voice is quavering.

Nobody says another word for the entire rest of the trip. In Manhattan, everybody gets their luggage and hurries off. The last two are the man and I.

"Would you believe these people?" the man asks me.

"Who's the doctor?" I ask.

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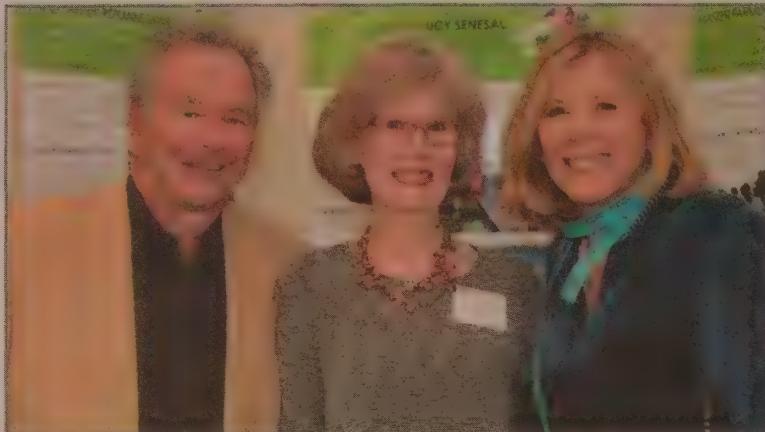
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## From Tragedy to Grace: Local Man Redefines Giving

Sag Harbor's Myron Levine is on a mission. In his own words, "[This is] something that will revolutionize charitable giving. I believe it will go viral and become a nationally known entity. And it all originated because of what happened to me here on the East End of Long Island."

"Unfortunately, Donors Unite's genesis was due to a personal tragedy. We lost our eldest son Joshua in 2010 due to a tragic accident on a farm in Amagansett. The outpouring of love and support Sue, I, our grandchildren and daughter-in-law received from the East End community was amazing. The community was more like the fictional town, Mayberry, from *The Andy Griffith Show* than the place people associate with 'the



Myron Levine, Slow Food East End's Anne Howard, Susan Levine

Hamptons.' So, I decided to pay the community back by founding the charity All for The East End (AFTEE), which raised and—through a grant process administered by the Long Island Community Foundation—granted in excess of \$100,000 to East End charities over the past three years. (AFTEE still exists and can be found at [aftee.org](http://aftee.org).)

"My work with AFTEE put me in direct contact with many leaders of the not-for-profit community on the East End. In talking to them, it struck me that they were faced with

an almost impossible task in trying to increase their funding to support their respective missions. Traditionally charities are all funded through access to the same pot of money—charitable donations. While that pot is large, \$355 billion last year, it's basically finite and does not go up or down much from year to year. To the extent, if you look to that pool of money to raise additional funds for charities, all you're doing is reallocating money from one charity to another. In effect, it puts charities in competition with each other.

**"As nonprofits continuously struggle to raise sufficient dollars to fund their work, Donors Unite could be a saving grace."**

"So, I put on my entrepreneurial hat and tried to think of a solution. Eureka! I needed to find a different pot. That pot is the money spent each year on gifts. Americans spent \$1 trillion-plus last year on gifts for all occasions. Mother's Day, Father's Day and Valentine's Day alone accounted for \$50 billion. Businesses spent approximately \$80 billion on employee appreciation awards, event giveaways, holiday gifts to clients, etc. None of this money goes to charitable organizations that work to make our lives, and the lives of our family and community, better. Plus, material gifts are taxed.

"That led me to dream up the idea to form Donors Unite Inc., a 501(c)(3) donor-advised fund and Donors Unite Management Corp., which provides all the infrastructure to enable the charity to operate its unique gift card program. Simply stated, its mission is 'To provide a unique and affordable way for individuals and businesses to support millions of charities and local communities, with a customizable charity gift card for any occasion.'

"We all know those generic gifts one feels they must purchase—the bottle of wine for the dinner host, the bouquet of flowers as a thank you, etc. I founded Donors Unite to enable people and businesses to start thinking about the importance of their gift and about social responsibility. The Donors Unite website, which [at press time is set to] go live on May 3, has a 'Give Where You Live' search engine with over 1.5 million public charities, easily searchable by entering a category. *(Continued on page 36)*



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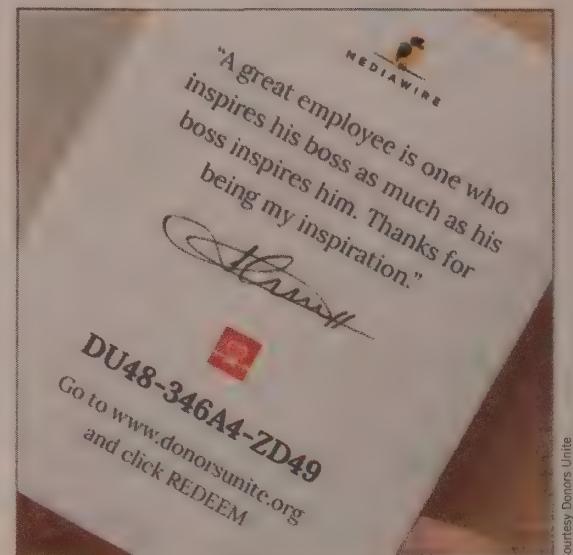
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zip code and radius. Every public charity in that geographical area is then listed. One can then purchase a charity gift card to send to someone who then gifts the card to a charity named by the purchaser; or better yet, lets the recipient name the charity by using the redemption code printed on the card. The total cost of a Donors Unite charity gift card is 100% tax deductible.

"While even one charity gift card can truly make a difference, imagine the impact if large numbers of individuals and businesses start to use them as a substitute for material gifts they might normally purchase. Just .01% would amount to over \$1 billion in new funding for charities. I believe that most of this funding will go to support the smaller community-based charities that do the heavy lifting in

our local communities. My goal is simple: add Donors Unite to the equation. Consider replacing one bottle of wine, one bouquet of flowers, one generic gift card with a charity gift card. This small shift in mindset, as individuals and as businesses, has the potential to be transformative and revolutionize charitable giving. I believe that in two years it may be possible to convert as much as 10% of that money to charity gift cards. That would really make quite a difference.

"I'm not alone in my conviction that Donors Unite has the potential to be a game changer. Below is what David Okorn, the Executive Director of the Long Island Community Foundation, which is a division of the New York Community Trust (the fourth largest



Mock-up of the many gift cards to come

Courtesy Donors Unite

such trust in the United States with over \$2.5 billion under its management) has to say about Donors Unite:

"As nonprofit organizations continuously struggle to raise sufficient dollars to fund their work, the Donors Unite charitable gift card program could be a saving grace that provides them with the funding needed to maintain and expand their programs. It's a simple, low-cost way to potentially raise additional funds, enabling nonprofits to stay focused on the activities required to carry out their mission, and hopefully less time on fundraising activities.

**This is something that will revolutionize charitable giving. I believe it will go viral and become a nationally known entity.**

"As most nonprofit organizations rely on a rather small contingent of donors, the Donors Unite gift card program could truly open new sources of funding by getting individuals as well as businesses to rethink what would be a meaningful gift to show someone they care, while at the same time benefiting charities of their choosing. Donors Unite really has something here that can be revolutionary for the world of nonprofit fundraising."

"I'm very passionate about the potential for Donors Unite. I believe it has the potential to dramatically increase funding for charities, especially the smaller locally based ones with little or no money for marketing. If that happens, we will reap the benefits."

"We have developed a presentation for business partners, a number of which have indicated that they are going to participate. Those include Bridgehampton National Bank, Norsic, Southampton Hospital, Peconic Bay Medical Center, The Retreat, Bay Street Theater, Peconic Land Trust, All For The East End, East End Arts Council, Peconic Public Broadcasting, Renewable Energy of Long Island, Slow Food East End and the Sag Harbor American Music Festival. We have also made presentations to some major corporations who are interested, including UBS, TD Bank and Chubb."

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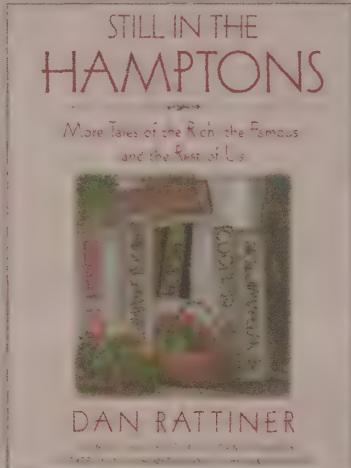
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*Summer House*, Bravo's reality show about young professionals sharing a Montauk rental home, will return for a second season. The series, which received criticism from many local residents and businesses, will again take place on the South Fork, though a specific house location has yet to be announced.

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**Paul Mahos** and an expanded version of his band New Life Crisis (NLC) rocked a capacity crowd in the Southampton Arts Center last Saturday night. Their Tribute to 2016 Lost Legends concert celebrated the work of David Bowie, Prince, George Michael, Glenn Frey, Leonard Cohen, Maurice White and others with love, big-screen visuals, Modelo and hors d'oeuvres from Union Cantina.

Montauk-based public relations firm blumenfeld + fleming has won four platinum and 10 gold awards in the 2017 Hermes Creative Awards Competition, an international marketing competition that rewards creativity. The firm won platinum awards for their work for Southampton Hospital, including a newspaper ad for the East Hampton Walk-In clinic, and a radio ad for the same facility. A website for Eyeking, a sunglasses manufacturer, won platinum as well, as did a magazine ad for Landscape Details with the headline "Balance. Find it inside and out." "April is our August," says **Lynn Blumenfeld**, founding partner, in a press release. "We're working on rebranding two local libraries, doing websites, and consulting with clients so they gain visibility in the market." **Jill Fleming**, co-founder, added, "Web design is about 50% of our business. We're excited about the libraries and we do a lot of work with nonprofits."

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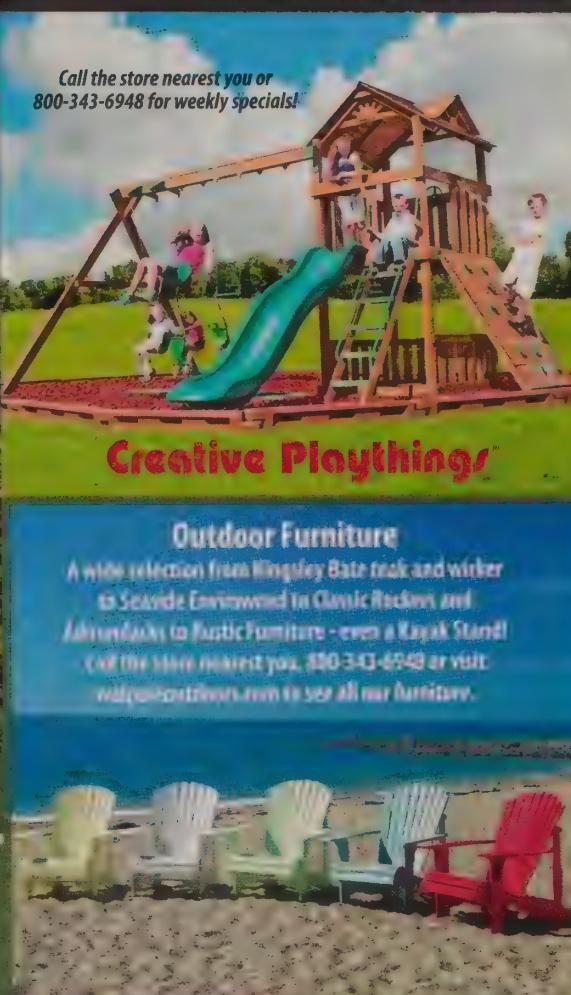


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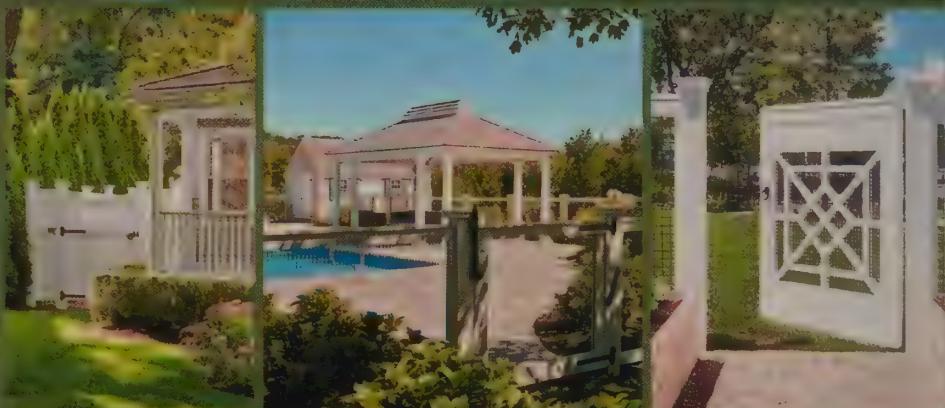
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# This Week's Cover Artist: Barbara Grey

BY BRIAN CUDZILO



Barbara Grey, whose "Rose" blooms on this week cover, works as a painter and collagist and is a member of the member-owned and run cooperative art gallery b.j. spoke, in Huntington.

## Can you discuss your inspiration for this piece?

I visited the most amazing rose garden in Portland, with every variety and color imaginable, and took a lot of close-up photos. When I decided to do a mostly watercolor show, this was my starting point. I did the rose in watercolor, then added a few touches of collage. The leaves are also collage, and don't look like real rose leaves. This is almost an abstract essence of a rose.

**You've said your photographer's eye was helpful when it came to your painting. Can you expand on that?**

Ever since I was at Girl Scout camp with my little box camera, I've been planning my photos, waiting for the right moment, moving to a better angle (I didn't realize this at the time, but it's obvious from the photos). When I traveled to Europe I saw paintings everywhere. Since I didn't paint, I took careful photos. I'm now painting some of those photos.

**"I find collage to be more fulfilling, maybe because of the detailed effort involved. And they do turn out more as I imagined they would."**

**You've also read a lot of instructional books. What piece of advice was most useful?**

One book said, in effect, "The world is not made up of lines. It's made up of shapes." That really resonated with me. Thinking and seeing in three dimensions makes it easier for me to build my images.

**Can you talk about b.j. spoke gallery and the importance of artists working together?**

Being part of a collective lets me learn from many people with their own styles. Advice and criticism is invaluable. We have "theme shows" that take us out of our comfort zone. We have our own show every two years and I try to come up with a new technique or perspective for the show. Whenever I walk in the door I'm still thrilled that I belong there!

**As a collagist and painter can you discuss some differences between the two?**

Painting and collage are polar opposites. Watercolor especially is spontaneous, unpredictable, never entirely under the control of the artist. Rarely does a painting turn out exactly as I expected. It often goes in a direction that I like and improves the work. Sometimes it teaches you "Don't do that again!" Collage, on the other hand, needs to be planned, the template drawn precisely. Collage is meticulous. I can spend much time sorting through boxes of papers for just the right color or texture. I love to watch the picture emerge as the pieces are put down.

## Do you prefer one to the other?

I'm glad I don't have to choose. I use the medium that suits the subject matter. I love the geology of the Southwest and feel that collage expresses the strength and essence of these subjects. I think I find collage to be more fulfilling, maybe because of the detailed effort involved. And they do turn out more as I imagined they would. Is there another collage artist who inspires you, who you think our readers should know?

I have books by Nita Leland



and Gerald Brommer that have taught me a lot.

## Where can readers see more of your work?

At least one piece is at b.j. spoke every month except March and August, when we have competitions. I'm working toward my next solo show at the gallery, which should happen next spring. At this point I'm doing linear art, something new for me. We'll see what the next year produces. [bjspokegallery.org/member-artists/barbara-grey](http://bjspokegallery.org/member-artists/barbara-grey)

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## Peter Marino's Hamptons Garden in a Book

BY BRIAN CUDZILO

**P**eter Marino's Hamptons estate covers 12 acres and is a stark contrast to his biker-style persona, what with all the leather and tattoos. In a new art book, *The Garden of Peter Marino* (Rizzoli, \$85), we get to see a slightly different side of the Harley-riding architect through an unprecedented look into his home landscape—a once indifferent property that Marino has



The Garden of Peter Marino

transformed over the course of two decades.

A friend who visited Marino one June, when his garden is at its most beautiful, exclaimed, "This could only be the garden of an architect—and an American one at that!" Marino goes on to explain, in his introduction, that she made the comment because his gardens were created in "a series of different outdoor 'rooms,' all squares or rectangles, with everything organized on a single axis." *The Garden of Peter Marino* is itself divided into 11 sections, each dedicated to a particular "room" of the vast expanse of the garden. There's the "color-wheel" of Purple, Red, Yellow and Pink Gardens; the Azalea, Hydrangea and Rose Gardens; the Great Lawn, the only all-green space, which also features a 19th century bronze, "Diana with the Stag," standing watch; the Forest, which Marino describes as "Harry Potter-esque...because the 100-year-old trunks of the zelkova trees are animal-like and fanciful;" the Allée, featuring two parallel walls of American holly trees and an owl totem; and the Orchard. The gardens also contain nearly 40 sculptures by Claude and François-Xavier Lalanne whimsically interspersed throughout. Claude Lalanne, author of the book's forward, says of Marino: "Peter's an exceptional man with a great talent, funny as well as totally nuts."

The first three-quarters of the book presents photographer Jason Schmidt's—whose own books, *Artists and Artists II*, are also well worth a purchase—photos of Marino's first-class contemporary landscapes over all seasons and many years. He captures a rainbow of color in his images, which are



J. Schmidt/Rizzoli

presented in a variety of sizes on the page. There are instances of pictures taken at a distance and centered on about a quarter of one page, next to a full-page close-up of the same image. Many images are spread over two pages. There's even a four-panel pull-out centerfold capturing the Azalea Crescent, which Marino says took him "almost 20 years of planting to create, adding more and more azaleas to the oval-shaped mounds. (Continued on next page)

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## Marino (Continued from previous page)

each year." Perhaps our favorite photo in this first section comes just one page later: a sculpture of a bull, nose-deep in azaleas; and on the next page, a two-page closeup of the same bull.

With all respect to Schmidt, it is the second section, "After the Storm," with photographs by renowned Spanish interior photographer Manolo Yllera, that impresses the most. As Yllera says in his introduction, he was well aware, when asked by Marino to photograph the gardens, that doing so "is a tricky task because you have no control over light and you're at the mercy of time." The day of the shoot, a timid rain "soon erupted into a furious downpour." The result is pure artistry.



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## Harry Benson Revealed at New T Gallery

BY OLIVER PETERSON

**A**t a time when you're more likely to see local galleries closing or downsizing, a brand new venue, Southampton's T Gallery, is opening with bold optimism and a fresh crop of artists that will surely make it a standout in the Hamptons scene.

Helmed by former J. Crew Talent Director and agent for some of the world's most famous celebrity and fashion photographers, Therese Ryan Mahar, T Gallery is launching its series of summer exhibitions this Friday, May 5. The inaugural show, "Through the Lens," offers a selection of images by legendary photographer Harry Benson, and Mahar couldn't be more thrilled.

"Harry is one of photography's greatest rebels," the new gallerist says of the 87-year-old native of Scotland, known for photographing many of the most important people and moments in history and pop culture, including Winston Churchill, John F. Kennedy, The Beatles, Bill and Hillary Clinton, Muhammad Ali, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Robert F. Kennedy assassination, to name a few. "His talents cannot be categorized," Mahar continues. "Most photographers have one or two areas they specialize in, but Harry's range is limitless."

"You want to try other things, but you don't want to go too far off of what you do," Benson says describing the work in "Through the Lens." "I don't like studio work, although I've done a lot of it...but I like pictures to be spontaneous and with movement,



Some of the iconic photography by Harry Benson



Courtesy T Gallery

and it could never happen again," he adds. "And that, to me, is a good photograph."

Mahar and Benson have been friends now for some years, and she's very excited to be exhibiting three photographs from his archive that have never been shown in large format at a gallery before. "I'm really excited about those," Mahar says. "One of the things that keeps me so fascinated with Harry is I think the world is really aware of a certain body of work, but his archives are limitless."

But above all, "Harry's work is such truth," Mahar says, getting to what makes Benson's photographs so

great, whether he's shooting Civil Rights marches or a Somali refugee camp—one of the images featured in "Through the Lens"—or celebrities and wealthy Palm Beach socialites. "His gritty stuff, his war stuff—that's my favorite," Mahar notes.

"Everybody is important, no one wants to pass this way unnoticed," Benson says, clearly aware of the responsibility that comes with immortalizing his subjects for posterity, and doing it authentically, no matter who's on the other side of his lens. "They're all human beings, they're all going to die," he points out.

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"Basically, it was all about life," Benson continues, remarking on the common thread through his entire body of work. "When I'm talking to you, I'm talking through photographs," he says.

"A lot of things you hear are not true and it didn't happen like that, but photographs don't lie," Benson continues. "You're looking for that moment and I'm not telling people to do this and that, and I'm not posing them. They're spontaneous. The picture happened. It's not a manipulated photograph—it happened, and that's real."

Harry Benson's photographs will be on view in "Through the Lens" at T Gallery in Southampton, 4C North Main Street, May 5–June 23. An opening reception with the artist is scheduled for Sunday, May 28, from 5–7 p.m.

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The **Southampton Animal Shelter** will celebrate the grand opening of their "ReTail" Shop at 30 Jagger Lane on Saturday, May 6 for their Super Spring Sale. This charming shop has something for everyone—and it's all 50 percent off through the month of May—so join them and help save animals in need. And/or head to adoption center at 102 Old Riverhead Road West in Hampton Bays. Because what mother wouldn't love a brand new "child" to dote on.

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The company's complimentary in-house design service, **Studio at One Kings Lane**, will be a key feature of the new location, providing visitors access to one-on-one appointments with the brand's interior designers. Customers will be able to book appointments on [onekingslane.com](http://onekingslane.com), where they will be matched with a designer. Throughout the summer, the brand will also use the space for collaborative partnerships, interactive events, and designer pop-ups.

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Speaking of what you really need. How about the **Alcomate Revo**? A digital, personal Breathalyzer, folks. It works and it comes with a stash of those little plastic tips to blow through. Here are some quick tips to ensure you get accurate readings with the breathalyzer: Wait at least 20 minutes after eating, drinking or smoking before performing a breath alcohol test;

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### SMOKIN' HOT TUNES AT TOWNLINe BBQ

5 p.m. Townline BBQ, 3593 Townline Road, Sagaponack. 631-537-2271

### SALON SERIES AT PARRISH ART MUSEUM

6 p.m. The Israeli Chamber Project. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. 631-283-2118 [parrishart.org](http://parrishart.org)

### NATIONAL THEATRE SCREENING: "TWELFTH NIGHT" AT GUILD HALL

7 p.m. Live broadcast of Shakespeare's comedy. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0806 [guildhall.org](http://guildhall.org)

## SATURDAY, MAY 6

### INLET RIDE ON DUNE ROAD

8 a.m. Ride along Dune Road from Moriches Inlet to Shinnecock Inlet and back. Proceeds benefit Camp Paquatuck. Moriches Inlet, Center Moriches. 631-878-1070 [inletride.com](http://inletride.com)

### CTREE GIDDUP UP 5K

8:30 a.m. Supports the Center for Therapeutic Riding of the East End. Medals for all. Sagg Main Beach, Sagaponack. 631-779-2835 [ctreeny.org](http://ctreeny.org)

### RIVERHEAD FARMERS MARKET

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### KENNETH RENSHAW AT CLARK ARTS CENTER

2:30 p.m. The violinist performs. Clark Arts Center, Perlman Music Program, 73 Shore Road, Shelter Island Heights. [perlmanmusicprogram.org](http://perlmanmusicprogram.org)

### "DEKOONING & FRIENDS" OPENING RECEPTION

6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Check out this solo exhibition curated by Mary Montes. Sag Harbor Whaling & Historical Museum, 200 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0770 [sagharborwhalingmuseum.org](http://sagharborwhalingmuseum.org)

### SCREENING: "LAST SUMMER IN THE HAMPTONS" AT SOUTHAMPTON ARTS CENTER

6 p.m. Presented by HIFF. Southampton Arts Center, 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton. 631-283-0967 [southamptonartscenter.org](http://southamptonartscenter.org)

### BRIDGEHAMPTON CHAMBER MUSIC AT BRIDGEHAMPTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

6 p.m. The music of Dvorak and Brahms. Bridgehampton Presbyterian Church, 2429 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton. [bcmf.org](http://bcmf.org)

### LEE GLANTZ AT THE AMERICAN HOTEL

6:30 p.m. Live music by pianist and vocalist Lee Glantz. The American Hotel, 45 Main Street, Sag Harbor.

### DUCHESS AT BRIDGEHAMPTON MUSEUM

7:30 p.m. The vocal jazz trio performs. Bridgehampton Museum Archive Building, 2539-A Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton. 631-537-1088 [bhmuseum.org](http://bhmuseum.org)

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9 a.m. Benefits Suffolk County Burn Center at Stony Brook Hospital. Firemen's Field, 118 Noyac Road, North Sea. 631-482-7569 [redknights25.org](http://redknights25.org)

### ROSES AT MARDERS

10 a.m. A conversation about roses. Marders, 120 Snake Hollow Road, Bridgehampton. 631-537-3700 [marders.com](http://marders.com)

### EAST END OPRY AT THE COAST GRILL

6:30 p.m. Lynn Blue performs. The Coast Grill, 1109 Noyack Road, Southampton. 732-433-2379

### KRIS KRISTOFFERSON AT WHBPAC

8 p.m. The iconic singer performs. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. 631-288-1500 [whbpac.org](http://whbpac.org)

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11-11:45 a.m. Storytime with books, songs and a craft at the end! Registration required. Quogue Library, 90 Quogue Street, Quogue. 631-653-4884 [quoguelibrary.org](http://quoguelibrary.org)

### ACT TWO TEEN COMMUNITY THEATER

6 p.m. Teens grades 8-12. Take classes in performing and theater writing. Hampton Bays Community Center, 25 Ponquogue Avenue, Hampton Bays. 631-702-2421 [southamptontownny.gov](http://southamptontownny.gov)

### GUILD GATHERING: TEEN TAKEOVER AT GUILD HALL

6 p.m. A special evening of presentations curated by the Teen Arts Council. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0806 [guildhall.org](http://guildhall.org)

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### PLAY-DOH TIME AT JOHN JERMAIN LIBRARY

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### "GREASE" AT BAY STREET THEATER

7:30 p.m. Stages' production of the classic musical, featuring a cast of local teens and tweens. Bay Street Theater, 1 Bay Street, Sag Harbor. 631-329-1420 [stagesworkshop.org](http://stagesworkshop.org)

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## MONDAY, MAY 8

### YOUTH COURT AT SOUTHAMPTON TOWN JUSTICE COURT

6 p.m. Great for any students interested in becoming attorneys or working in the court system; helps with improving public speaking skills, learning about the justice system, building their résumé and building confidence. Participants can also earn community service credits and more. Southampton Town Justice Court, 32 Jackson Ave, Hampton Bays. 631-702-2425 [southamptontownny.gov](http://southamptontownny.gov)

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## INTERVIEWS

See what's cooking now.

# FOOD & DINING

## Soirée-ing with Bistro 72's Chef Deb Scherer

BY STACY DERMONT

Chef Deb Scherer of Bistro 72 in Riverhead will be at two of the five Dan's Taste of Two Forks events this year—Dan's Rosé Soirée on Memorial Day Weekend (May 28) at the Southampton Arts Center and Dan's Taste of Two Forks presented by Farrell Building Company (July 22), now in its seventh year, on Mecox Bay.

Scherer says that she's most looking forward to the networking at Dan's Rosé Soirée. Of course the vast selection of rosé and food can only add to her enjoyment of the event—though she's quite happy where she is with a good supply of Osprey's Dominion wines from Peconic ("I love Osprey. I think their wines are amazing.") and North Fork asparagus at hand. Here's what she had to share about her relationship with East End food culture:



Courtesy Bistro 72

Chef Deb Scherer in her element

My favorite dish to pair with rosé is: roasted chicken and herbed fingerling potatoes.

Why should consumers seek out local produce and wine?

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Local produce is far superior to a supermarket product. The farmers, especially here on Long Island, take so much care to ensure only the best quality comes out of their facilities. Seeking out local wines can be very fun. Visiting the local wineries and tasting the varieties that are offered is a great way to taste before you buy and you also can learn about how the wines are made and the differences between them. That's not something you can achieve by going to a liquor store and reading labels and trying to figure it out on your own.

How old were you when you knew that you'd have a career in food?

I was very young, 3 or 4, when I found my love for cooking. My very first experience with the feeling of excitement and wonder was when my grandmother was making a broiled Munster cheese sandwich, which she used to make every Saturday evening, when I stayed over. She told me to watch the bread in the toaster oven so it wouldn't burn. I remember watching the cheese start to melt and bubble and get toasty and you could smell the

aroma from the cheese as it melted.

As time went on I used to watch both my grandparents cook. My grandfather, who was a chef, used to let me help him in the kitchen—my reason for becoming a chef. He planted such strong roots with me at a very young age. He taught me finesse, caring and how to put a lot of love into everything I prepare.

Would you agree that chefs and farmers have a lot in common in that both are a little crazy and overworked?

I think there can be some truth to that. Farmers get up very early and work on their farm. They are consistently trying to come up with better ways to improve their performance, as well as their foods. Chefs too get up very early and, from the minute you wake, you're consistently thinking about the day's events, the weeks to come and how to bring amazing quality and taste to dishes. We spend hours doing this every day. It's exhausting for both the

farmer and the chef.

What do you have in your kitchen right now that would make another food pro jealous?

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# Rosé Piscine's Blake Helppie Tells All

BY STACY DERMONT

Rosé Piscine's Blake Helppie seems like a very contented man. He loves his job, he loves to cook and, as he says, "our French rosé, Rosé Piscine, the only rosé made specifically to drink with ice, will be available in stores throughout the Hamptons in early June." Ice is nice. Meet Helppie at Dan's Rosé Soirée on Memorial Day Weekend (May 28) at the Southampton Arts Center. He's no wine snob, he sings the praises of our local varietals, saying, "I really enjoy Channing Daughters Winery wines. I love their ability to constantly push the envelope, which has resulted in some truly unique wines—such as their orange wines. I appreciate their playful and experimental approach to their wines."



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## Dan's TASTE OF SUMMER

### What's your favorite rosé?

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it was specifically made to be served with ice. I worked with my Brazilian business partners to import and launch the brand in Brazil, which was an astounding success. Based on that experience, Vinovalie awarded my company in the U.S. the exclusive importation rights for the Rosé Piscine.

**My favorite dish to pair with a fine rosé this season is:** fire-roasted octopus

**Why should consumers buy local produce and wine?**

Local, sustainably grown and harvested food is a great way to ensure clean eating and a great way to support local farmers and local business.



Blake Helppie in the field—in France

Courtesy Blake Helppie

### What's the worst thing you've ever had to drink?

The bowl of kava [a fermented beverage made from pepper plant roots] that I drank in Vanuatu this past November while on a spearfishing trip in the South Pacific. In fact, kava is so bad that my spearfishing buddy at the kava bar ended up quickly evacuating the contents of his stomach.

### What's the best thing you've ever had to drink?

After the U.S. financial crisis, I acquired hundreds of bottles of the world's best wines from Bordeaux and Burgundy from U.S. collectors for export to, and resale in, Brazil. For me, it was simply an arbitrage play; instead of commodities or equities, the trade involved some of the best wines in the world. At the time, Brazil was riding the commodities super cycle and its currency was massively overvalued. Brazil had a lot of extremely wealthy wine drinkers who didn't want to wait 20 years to drink a 100-point Petrus or Chateau Lafite. At one point, I discovered that one of the bottles of wine I intended to export to Brazil had a seriously damaged and bin-soiled label. My heart dropped when I discovered that it was one of the two bottles of 100-point 1990 Domaine de la Romanee-Conti La Tache that had been presold to a Brazilian banker in São Paulo, who was a

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stickler for perfect labels. I ended up taking the bottle to a steakhouse in Birmingham, Michigan (where I lived at the time) and invited two friends. We all agreed that it was the best bottle of wine we ever had. I sometimes wonder if the Brazilian banker regretted his insistence on perfect labels; I doubt he has come across another bottle of this perfect vintage since.

### How old were you when you knew that you'd have a career in wine?

As a child, I had very unusual career ideas. I predicted in second grade that the world would have an oversupply of firemen. I therefore decided that I wanted to be the captain of a ship. I did manage to partially fulfill this dream many years later by becoming a ship owner in the Brazilian oil and gas industry when I left Goldman Sachs in Europe. While running the shipping business in Brazil, a family friend asked me to help him with his wine importation and distribution business. I was 30 at the time and just fell in love with the wine industry. At the time, we mainly worked with Chilean and French wines, but expanded our portfolio to include some incredible wines from Italy, Hungary and California.

Unlike finance, shipping and technology, where I had spent a great deal of my adult professional life, I found a contagious passion among the people I met and dealt with in the wine industry. I have always gravitated toward people with a pure and focused passion. I find that many of the folks I meet in the wine industry, from winemakers to importers, are involved in the industry because they are truly passionate about what they do.

### What do you have in your kitchen right now that would make another wine or food pro jealous?

My sourdough starter! I'm a huge fan of Chad Robertson of Tartine Bakery in San Francisco and his naturally leavened sourdough bread method—"Country Bread." Chad spent years rediscovering the way that bread was made with natural leaven 200 years ago in France.

The sourdough starter in my kitchen has been going for almost a year. I have shared it with countless friends and family members, who maintain and use the starter, should mine happen to die out over the course of a long trip. Using my sourdough starter, a Dutch oven to mimic the effects of a steam injection oven, and Chad's method I can make the best bread you've ever tasted! When I travel from Miami to my house in East Hampton, I often bring my sourdough starter with me, which profoundly confuses the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).

### What skill or concept have you learned recently that you're eager to use in your work?

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professional-grade photography and Photoshop on Instagram. I leave the Rosé Piscine Instagram account in the very competent hands of Stephanie Kay Meyer, our branding director. However, I'm eager to use my new SLR camera and Photoshop to create some eye-catching Instagram content around the Rosé Piscine brand.

### Is fine dining dying or just going through a transformation?

While I was the CEO of talentReef, the leading HR software platform for the restaurant and retail industries, I would rub shoulders on a weekly basis with most of the top executives in the U.S. restaurant industry. My conclusion, based on many conversations, is that fine dining is already dead. That being said, I still feel that there's a place for it in our culture, even if it's no longer mainstream and often no longer financially viable.

I could create a fine meal with just these five ingredients: beef tenderloin, fresh rosemary, sea salt, butter and asparagus. While I love grilling as much as the next guy, I have found an amazing way to prepare beef tenderloin. I start with an extremely hot cast iron skillet, to which I add a bit of olive oil (or butter, if I'm limited to five ingredients). I sear the sea salt rubbed steaks (a pepper rub is great in addition to the sea salt) 90 to 120 seconds per side. I then throw in the chopped fresh rosemary and a bit more butter before placing the skillet in a 500° F oven for 3-4 minutes. For the asparagus I would quickly blanch and then sauté in butter and sea salt.

### What's your favorite part about interacting with fellow food pros—or patrons—at Dan's Taste of Summer events?

Much like I learned to cook and bake by observing my mother in the kitchen, I love to watch pros ply their trade in the kitchen...and then I pepper them with questions when I see them next.

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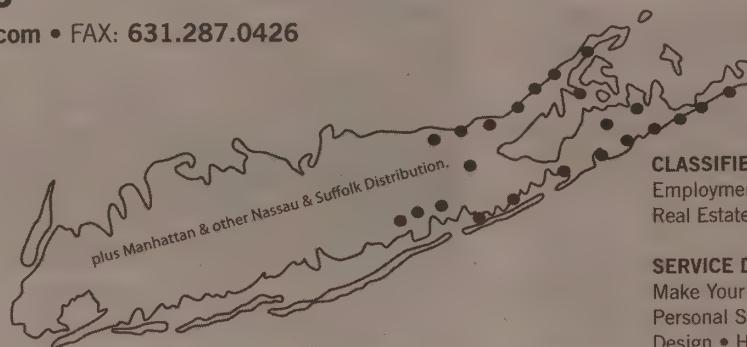
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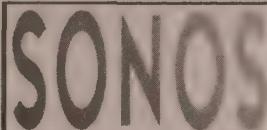
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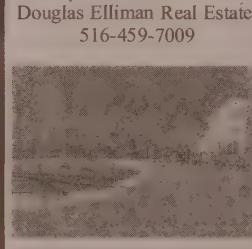


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## BEHIND THE HEDGES

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## Industry's Best Gather at Privet Hedge Awards

BY LAURA EULER

The best and brightest of the Hamptons real estate community were celebrated last Wednesday at the fourth annual Privet Hedge Awards Dinner, held at the lovely and swanky Sebonack Golf Club in Southampton. Hosted by Manhattan Media, publisher of *Behind the Hedges*, *Dan's Papers* and *AVENUE*, it was, as always, a wonderful evening filled with old friends and new.

First up, of course, was cocktail hour. Strolling past the new Alfa Romeo Giulias parked by the entrance, then up the winding staircase to the party awaiting on the second floor, guests found cocktails, wine and AltaNeve prosecco flowing on the deck as a light fog rolled over Peconic Bay. The pre-dinner merriment included not a photo booth—that's so 2012—but a fashion-model-level photo shoot experience by Jonsar; it was like stepping back into the world of the photographer David Bailey, as fictionalized in the classic film *Blow-Up*. Many, many guests lined up for the fun activity throughout the night.

At dinnertime, hosts Randi Schatz, *AVENUE* president, and Eric Feil, CEO of Dan's Hamptons Media, welcomed everyone. Randi spoke of Michael Conroy and Anthony DeVivio, who both passed away in the last year. It's nice that the event always takes time out to remember.

Many past winners of the Privet Hedge Awards were in attendance, among them Paul Brennan, Gary DePersia, Susan Breitenbach, Enzo Morabito, Judi Desidero, Peter Turino, and Tim Davis. (Talk about your lineup of heavy hitters!)

Around the time the main courses (we had the filet, which was stellar) were being served, it was time to start handing out the awards for this year. The winner of the Brokers' Broker award was introduced by Paul Brennan: Erica Grossman, Douglas Elliman. The Rookie of the Year, presented by Geoff Gifkins, went to Douglas Sabo of NestSeekers. The Big Deal Broker this year, awarded by Peter Turino, went to Christopher Burnside, Brown Harris Stevens. The Hall of Fame award went to universally respected Beate Moore of Sotheby's.

Moore told us, "I didn't see it coming and was genuinely surprised. A good surprise! Am getting congratulations all day; very touching and makes me realize how much I do like my work!"

Chris Burnside said, "It was a great night and quite the surprise. I wish I would have had a few less drinks."

New this year was the Impossible Deal award. In presenting it to Marcia Altman of Brown Harris Stevens and Enzo Morabito of Douglas Elliman, Eric Feil mentioned the eight-year-long timeline of the deal, which was the sale of 66 Seafield Lane in Westhampton Beach. Fires, stalkings, subdivisions, and wine sales were some of the highlights, along with celebrity viewings. Finally, after eight years and more than \$20 million in markdowns, the property sold last year for \$15 million. Truly an impossible deal and a richly deserved award. Enzo says, "It was an honor to be a part of last night's Privet Hedge Awards with all of my esteemed peers and even more of an honor to be an award recipient once again this year! Although the Impossible Deal was interesting and took a long time, none of the deals are easy. If negotiating real estate deals was easy, we would all be very successful!"

Congrats to all of this year's winners and here's to a great summer!

See more photos of the event on page 26 and at [BehindtheHedges.com](http://BehindtheHedges.com).



Past winners, left to right: Paul Brennan, Gary DePersia, Susan Breitenbach, Enzo Morabito, Judi Desidero, Peter Turino, Tim Davis

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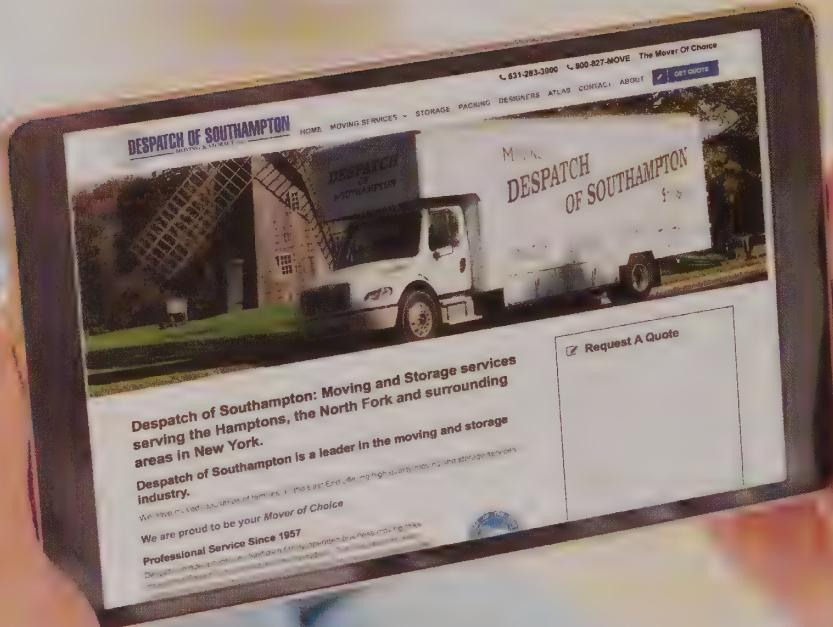
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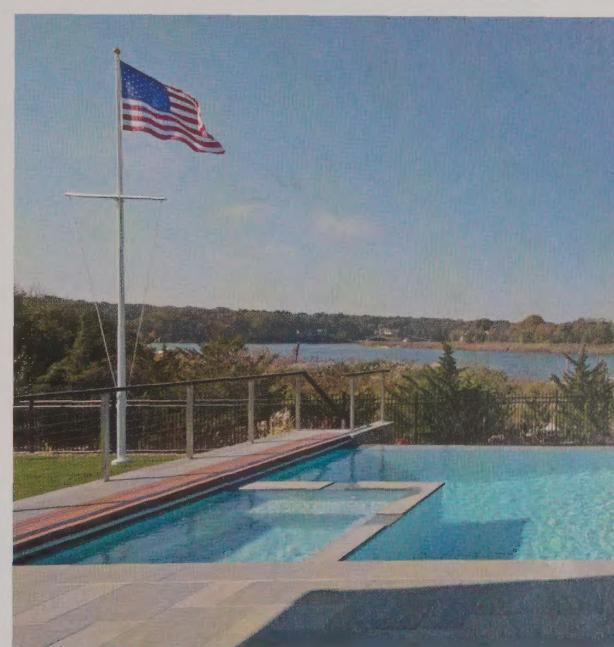
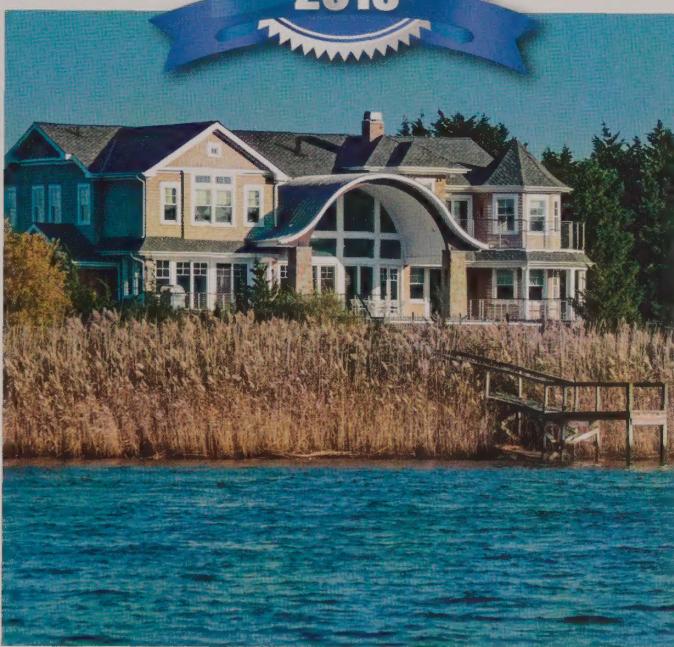
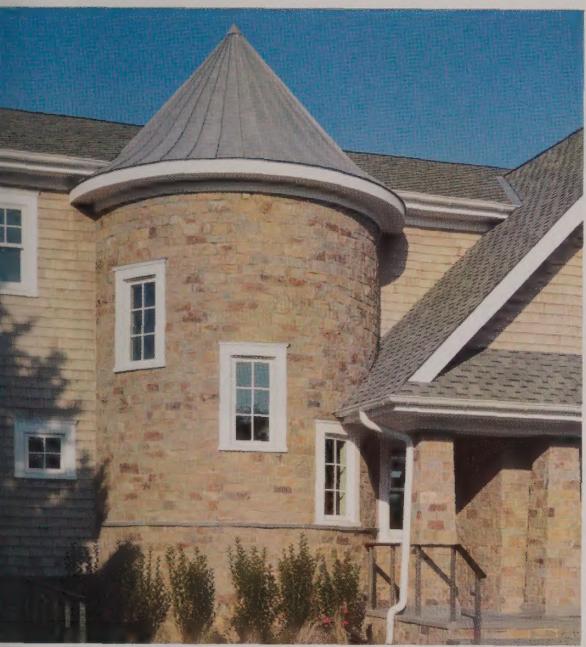
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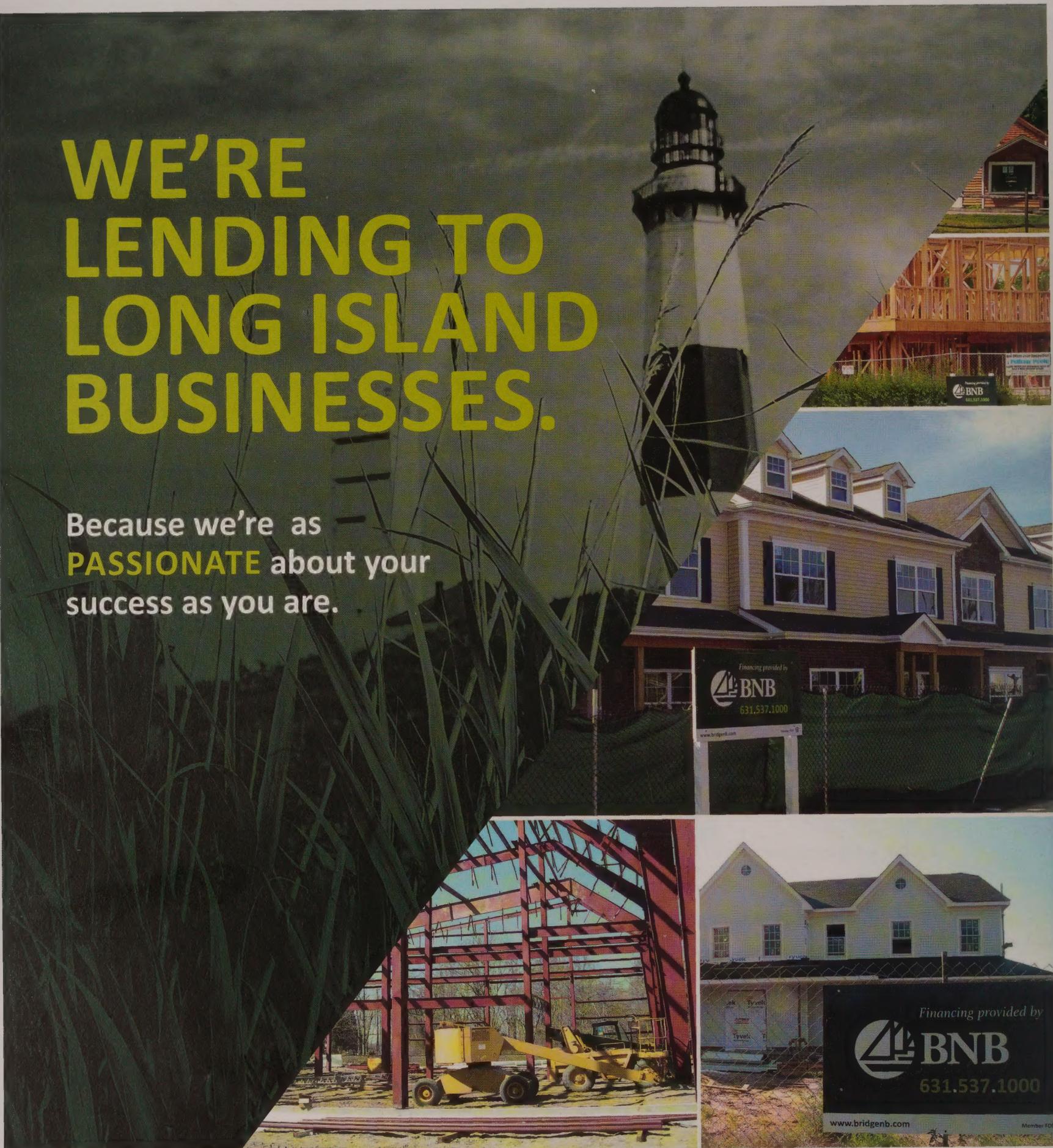
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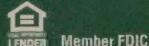
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